## WEST POINT BILITARY ACADEMY.

Justing of the manner of giving instruction in the section rooms, from the main of the processors, we are of the opinion that no more perfect system exists in this country than that now exploye out this institution.

The thorough knowledge by the caret of each branch is git, shore full time was site well on the study of shocourse, one vined us that the plan of instruction burders or perfection, and that the professors and instructors fally exchange the important daty assigned them. It is proper, ho ever, here to say that the order issued by the war legarithment in Oniober last, by which the course of lestuacion at the Academy was changed at that time from five to four years, had the offect of certaging the course of studies and shortening the bine devoted is some of them to such an extent as to read or she cadest less perfect in their franches than they cherwise would have been. The study of instory, goo graphy, interature, rhetoric and history of philosophy, was unitiely lost to some of these classes. The course of study of mineralogy and geology was commenced and afterwards checontinued by the second class, which relunded to the study of opinions, which relunded to the study of chemistry in October, abanconed that study is April, when the order for a return to the four years course was revoked.

The course in Spanish was shortened and deranged, as was also the french, but not the same extent, and oct of the classes in drawing lost about one half of the time devoted to thus branch of education.

It seems to us that whatever changes may be determined upon in the course of studies, or in the text books, by the War Department, or the Academy is the course of studies, or in the text books, by the War Department, or the Academis Band, they should not supply the progress of the studies, cannot but produce confusion and result in impairing the producing ways be made to take effect at the commence ment of the same course, it is more than that the sources of studies. For a like reason we are of the army determined when

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POLICE.

The Committee on Police bave the honor to report that under the instruction of this Board the committee bave examined the several berracks, the communes the nospitals, the stables and all other public buildings which your committee conceived it their duty to visit and report upon, and it is with pleasure the committee remarked the sulform system, order and cleanliness which prevailed in each one of these respective departments

We have found everything in the most perfect order, so far as the care and attention of the officers are concerned; but we would respectfully bring to the notice of the War Department the fact that the roof of the academic builting leaks very badly, and in the calling of your committee requires immediate attention. The walls are built discolored by the rate, the plantering badly cracted, and the drawings, puntugs and models liable at any moment to be seriously and permanently lejured.

The roofings also of the Library and Oxide's Hospital are seriously defective, and require immediate repair. The building known as the Rand Barracks we found ulterly unit for occupancy. It is old and delapidated, the rooms incapable of any system of ventilatin, and, in brief, we regard the building as no credit to the spot it occupies.

That a new building, and one adapted to the purpose of what is now but a questionable apology for the Band Barracks, should be erected, is too self suggestive and paipable to require more than the mere casual mantion. In the nighor-hood of the Dragoon and Band Barracks is the night product of the progenessing water works will rouder a matter of easy and ready accomplishment.

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remedied; and this, of course, can only be effected by a system of sewerage, which the completion of the progress ing water works will ronder a matter of easy and ready accomplishment.

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We would now call the attention of the Department to the present system of beating the public balldings. The ladet Barracks are now heated by air farances below, with flues leading to different rooms. Under this system it is impossible to regulate the temperature of a room; it varies even with the direction of the wind. In old seaber, whilst some of the calcute are suffering from host, others complain butterly of the cold. The neutral consequence b, that there are at all times from twenty to thirty questes confined to the bospital with heatenest colds, estable, the confidence of the cause.

Whilst on this subject, the committee would remark that the library, including the unitoophical apparatus and observatory; the soutemine building, including all the models of civil engineering, of descriptive geometry, artillery and cavalry; also the entire abines of university, including the unitoophical apparatus, and gallery of drawings, are all beated by stoves, which in cold weather are frequently heated red hat. The danger from such a system is too obvious to require argument or comment; and when is borne in mad the vast amount of public property at stake, the committee would respectfully suggest that all of these ballings be heated by stema, or in some other way that suggests steel to the code sense and better judgment of the Department. During the whole of our investigation the committee would respectfully suggest that all of these ballings be heated by stema, or in some other way that suggests steel to the code sense and better judgment of the Department. During the whole of our investigation the committee would respectfully engest that all of these ballings be heated by stema, or in some other way that suggests steel to the code sense and

vidual cadet of the class admitted in 1855, of expenditures over and above his pay, at \$28 per month, was. \$49 44
The smallest individual excess as aforesaid. 18 14
At same date, in the class admitted 1857, the largest individual excess, as aforesaid, was. 47 95
The smallest. 10 89
At same date, in class admitted 1856, the largest individual excess of the pay over and above expenditures, was. 34 37
The smallest excess of pay over expenditure. 34 13
At same date, in class admitted in 1855, a cadet had to bis credit, over and above his expenditures, was. 12 33
At same date, in this pay in four years. 63 92
Another, the smallest saving in said class. 12 33
At same date, in the graduating class of this year, the cadet who had saved the most had to his credit. 50 15
The caset who had saved the least. 370
It should be noticed that these savings are in addition to the equipment fund.
It will not escape observation that the new cadet gets in debt, and that it is not until the abird year that the cadet usually begins to lay up mosey from his pay. The reason is obvious. The heavy outlays for uniform clothing, for bedding and personal utenalis recessary to comfort, fall on the new cadet; and if ever so saving, unless he can supply from his payants' means the deddency, he requires time to bring himself from his pay out of this indebtedness for the expenditures.
The total expenditures for support of cadets during the discal year last past is shown in statement annexed, marked A, and amounts to. \$37,052 19

Aggregate expenditure for the year.

The books of account in the Quartermaster's and Treasurer's deartments exhibit very clearly the condition of adairs fiscal at this isstitution, which appears to be in all respects faithfully and diligonally administered Submitted.

AUGUSTINE HAINES, JOHN F. HEARD, T. B. LOWRY.

ATTEMPT AT INFANTICIDE —A respectably dressed German, carrying a bundle in her arms, called at the house of Mr. carrying a bundle in her arms, called at the house of Mr. Morgan, in Fifty-sixth street, near First avenue, on wednesday afternoon, under pretence of seeing some rooms which were to let. She subsequently found an opportunity of visiting the yard, and while there managed unper reivel to throw her infant child into the sixth. A few months of the infant proceeding from the yard, and on searching the sixth she found a female child about four years old. The little one was promptly rescond from a horrible death, and properly cared for by the lackes of the source. So, and properly cared for by the lackes of the source. So, sequently the child was sent to the Narsery in Fifty first street, where is now remains. No trace of the unnatural muther has since been discovered.

Another Alleged Forserx.—Yeste day morning a man named Wm. H. Sorley was agreed by officer Charles H.

named Wm. H. Sorley was arrested by officer Chirles H. Brackett, of the City Hall Police, on an alleged charge of forgery, by which means it is stated he obtained about \$600 from Peter Cooper. Mr. Cooper, on thurs tay, discovered the avindia, and immediately placed the matter in the bands of the above offleer, stating that he madey was obtained from hm fraudulently in the name of S. Robertson, to whem he was indebted and in whose name the receipt was given by the party receiving the money; he, however, could not give a description of the man, and the officer, after visiting Mr. Robertson's place of business, decided to arrest Mr. Sorley, who is in Robertson's employ, on suspicion. He was conveyed before Mr. Cooper, who exemed to think be was not the person, the primoner at the same time stouly deep ing his guilt. The officer, however, became satisfied that he had not the right man, and getting Mr. Sorley to write Mr. Robertson's asme, it proved to be almost a rac simile of that on the receipt. After a fabritime, however, the prisoner conference to being the guilty party, and stated that he had obtained the mosquas he needed it, and was forced to resort to steament the receipt book to carry out his object. He was taken before Justice Weiß and committed to answer.

Carture or Ar Excarm Covert —Pollosman Maldocc, of the Sixth precinct, accessed an excaped convict from

From the evidence adduced on the inquest it appeared that about ten o'clock on Thursday morning deceased was observed struggling in the water by seme persons who were on the pier. Ropes and planks were immediately thrown to bim, but he refused to avail nimself of the prof. If t

Aquatic.

The boat clubs of New York will be represented in Albany on the coming Fourth of July, as one of their number left for that city on a vielt. It is the Gallek Club, organized from Gulick Hose Company No. 11. They row the entire distance, and left their boat house foot of Christopher street last evening at seven o'clock. Previous Christopher street last evening at seven o'clock. Previous to their departure they were presented with a splendid set of bost colors, the gift of their faster parent, the Hose Company. The Gullets were escorted fire miles up the river as far as Styker's Bay by the Atslanta Bost Cinb Their calculation is to reach Newburg in twelve bours from the time of Starting—an average of five miles par bour. On Sunday evening they will make Castleton, just below Albany, where they rest and pull up to the city early on the morning of this Fourin their uniform is the navy regulation; their boat a six cared one, with the following crew—George L. Devos (coxswais), W. H. Roberts, Fr., Jas. Ward, Wm. H. Mathews, Ed. J. Heain, Robert Halliday and Wm. H. Spear.

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The Unite d States alongon was Constellation, the flag ship of the African squadron, now auchored off Union wharf, is ready, and awaiting orders from the Department to proceed to sea. The Constellation is a duable barked stop and carries twenty-we gians. On the spar deck she mounts two ten man pivot gians, on the spar deck she mounts two ten man pivot gians, on the spar deck she mounts two ten man pivot gians, on the spar deck she mounts likicen eight unbushed in the man deck she mounts likicen eight unbushed in the spar deck she mounts likicen eight unbushed in placed in the tops, no that in bad wastier, and when it is difficult for the voice to be heard from the deck, the officer of the waten can readily give his orders to the capta so of the tops. Her complement of officers and give, all told, is 255 mm. The Constitution has been intelled in the Charlesto via New Yard; the accommodation for the officers and one, although the terade as a sloop, are superior to those of either of the new steam sloops Heartford or Brooklyn. She is light and roomy, and with the improvements that have been made in rebuilding, she will no doubt sustain her old requisition for fast saling. The following is a last of her officers. Fig Officer, William Imman; Captain, John S. Nichales; First Leutenant and Erecutive Officer, tharlis S. McDonough, Licutenants, A. J. Rhind, R. M. Moarans, James F. Footer and Trevet About; Acting Massor, Thomas H. Earhann; Purser, John N. Hambleton, Fleet Surgeon, Toomas I. Smith; Passed Assistant do John R. Bosa; Capt. Marriers, Issae T. Boughty; Liquienant do., Roory B. Sylor, Jee, Commodore's Scientery, Apthory Vandan Beuvein Morthlymon, William B. Hall, Goorge Borchert, throspec F. Kane, Watter R. Butt, Captain's Clerk, S. Bayard Will son; Putzer's do., James M. Wooth; Bastawain, Alfred Hingerty; Gumer, Lance, Hutchisson; Carpenter, Henry M. Lowery; Satumker, George D. Backrord — Backn Adviruiter, July L.

THE TERRIBLE SLAUGHTER

MICHIGAN SOUTHERN RAILROAD. SIXTY OR SEVENTY PERSONS KILLED.

THIRTY-SIX BOD ES FOUND. FORTY OR FIFTY WOUNDED.

27 -Jesse Dying, Lousville, Warren o

sligatiy.

28.—W. J. Hawk, Charleston, Va., slightly,

28.—O. Yard and wife, Oseno county, N.Y., slightly

34. 32, 33, 34, 55, 36.—A. Van Sycks, wife and four
chisres, Warren county, One.

37.—Stophen H. Arnold, Decator county, Iowa, badly
burs.

44.—Mas D. a. Porter, Hudson, Michigan, slightly.

1.—Lewis Heller, Stransburg, Pa.

2.—John Steck, Rome, Jones county, Iowa.

3.—R. W. Tait, Susquehana Incot, Pa.

4.—E. A. Garley, Address, Vermona.

5.—J. K. Gardee, Cheago.

6.—Stery Gresse, Phisacelphia.

7.—M. White, Dekath, Id.

8.—S. Arno d, brother of the wounded Arnold.

9.—Calvin Bagan, Milwankee.

10.—11.—12.—L. P. Billard, E. Dickinson and J. H. Brocken, Chengo.

A number of those reported wounded this afternoon are so far recovered that they will be able to leave to me row morning.

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The money belonging to the United States Express Company, \$30,000, has nearly all been recovered.

No hand a satisbuted by the passengers to any of the officers of the train.

Quite a number of the passengers are still missing and are supported to be growned.

One lady was carried down the stream towards the river, but odged in a tree top, and heard several float by crying for hesp.

The engineer had been running over the bridge from Layoute each way exceluly. The train was not running inster than ton or twenty miss per hour. The train going wast had passed over the embanum safety at \$3.30 ° M. One of the through mail bags was found near the river, two huedes yards from the break; whether others are contained to the train was very dark and there was a curve in the rese just before the embankness was reached.

The rathe is about 25 feet deep and 75 to 160 feet wide. The night was very dark and there was a curve in the rive just before the embankness was reached.

One old man, named dorace Devereux, of Oneida, N.Y., who has been on a voil to his nephew in this city, and was by him has seen in the seeping car at the dood, is meaning.

At the spot where the disaster happened a small stream

present government would be reconstituted. The officer areward that the option of those behalf the some sents the whole of the north of listly, including Lombards, would be made into a Piedmontest kingdom. Camral Raycov retrief into the ling own of Errurie, with J rough Naycov retrief into the ling own of Errurie, with J rough Naycov retrief into the ling own of Errurie, with J rough Naycov retrief into the ling own of Errurie, with J rough Naycov retrief into the ling own of the working and the two Scilles pieced index to the Maral density. The friend then said, "What will you leave to the Sovereign Pontist" "Oh! assuredly the cross," replied the man, thating hands with be cross," replied the man, thating hands with be cross, " replied the man, thating hands with be friend and mount to glideck on Monday meet, when I got though it to glid horse. We wish that the people who speak and write so dippant as the boyse a spella on of the charch would fell us write to have the preserty becauser, or if it is to be marely to the root, and subscaded in getting a hold. The roof was a much broken away by this time, and I got through the raids on the puress of housest inavolence.

The Southman University.—The New O. You correspondent of me Charleston Course save to a data, the successed in getting the gottleness of the discount of the successed in getting the gottleness and there were retried person assument to the confidence on the train tack no person you can be the establishment of the great Sou term of the successed of the train tack no person you can be be a decreased of the crain tack no person you can be be a decreased of the processors in the southern successed in the course of the processors in the southern of the processor in the southern success and those were retried person assument to the processor in the course of the successed in getting the gottleness of the discount of the successed in getting the process of the discount of the success of the successed in getting the process of the discount of the successed